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BUCHAREST FOR USOBSDEL TO WMO RA-VI CONFERENCE

1. ALTHOUGH US CAN ACCEPT FRG POSITION AND DISCLAIMER
PRESENTED REFTEL, AN EASIER SOLUTION MAY BE AS FOLLOWS.
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THE WMO BLOCK NUMBERS AND STATION INDEX NUMBER ARE BASED ON

ENTIRELY TECHNICAL CONSIDERATIONS AND, IN THE CASE OF A NUMBER OF ADJOINING COUNTRIES, THE SAME BLOCK AND INDEX NUMBER ARE ASSIGNED TO EACH WITH ONLY THE INDEX NUMBER ITSELF SHOWING WHAT COUNTRY THE STATION IS IN. SWITZERLAND AND LIECHTENSTEIN ARE A CASE IN POINT IN THE EUROPE REGION AS ARE CANADA AND THE US IN RA-IV, NORTH AMERICA. REGARDING THE LATTER, CANADA AND THE US ARE LISTED SEPARATELY BUT WITH THE SAME BLOCK AND INDEX NUMBER AS: CANADA - BLOCK 72, 000-999 AND US - BLOCK 72, 000-999.

A SIMILAR ARRANGEMENT IS THEREFORE SUGGESTED TO DEAL WITH THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF GDR AND FRG. THIS WOULD ENTAIL AMENDING THE RA-VI PORTION OF VOLUME A, WMO PUBLICATION 9TP4 TO

READ: "FRG, BLOCK 10, 000-999 AND GDR, BLOCK 10, 000-999."

AN ADDED BENEFIT OF THIS SOLUTION IS THAT THE RELATED COMPUTER PROGRAMS IN ALL METEOROLOGICAL AND COMMUNICATION CENTERS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD WOULD NOT REQUIRE CHANGING.

2. MORE ELABORATION AND BACKGROUND IF REQUIRED BY THE EMBASSY REGARDING OUR SUGGESTION CAN BE OBTAINED BY CONTACTING THE DUETSCHER WETTERDIENST, OFFENBACH.

3. THE US IS NOT A MEMBER OF WMO REGIONAL ASSOCIATION VI BUT WILL BE REPRESENTED AS AN OBSERVER AT THE SEPTEMBER BUCHAREST MEETING BY G.D. CARTWRIGHT, US MISSION GENEVA.

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